

REMARKS

Pursuant to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 28, 2004, and in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.821-1.825, a disk containing the SEQUENCE LISTING in computer readable form (CRF) and a paper copy of the SEQUENCE LISTING are submitted herewith.

The Preliminary Amendment has amended the specification to assign SEQ. ID. NOs. to the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences disclosed throughout the specification.

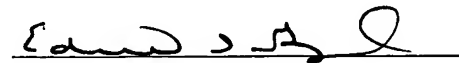
The transmission cover sheet includes a signed statement of equivalence of the CRF on disk and the attached SEQUENCE LISTING as required in the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 28, 2004.

Applicants have also submitted an abstract pursuant to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 28, 2004.

No new matter has been introduced by this amendment.

The application is now in condition for examination, which action is earnestly requested. If the examiner has any questions regarding this amendment, the examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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